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Biographical Sketch for Rebecca J. Goldberg

Rebecca Goldberg is a Senior Scientist at Environmental Defense New York City headquarters. She directs Environmental Defense's work on biotechnology issues, including the environmental consequences of releases of genetically engineered organisms, the safety of genetically engineered crops intended as foods, and biotechnology's secondary environmental impacts, particularly in agriculture. In July 1999, Goldberg authored a petition from Environmental Defense to the US Environmental Protection Agency to protect butterflies from toxic pollen from genetically engineered corn. Goldberg also currently serves the National Research Council's "Committee on Genetically Modified Pest-Protected Crops."

Along with biotechnology issues, Goldberg is also active in public policy issues concerning antibiotic use in agriculture and concerning aquaculture, or fish farming. She is an author of numerous publications, including "Biotechnology's Bitter Harvest: Herbicide Tolerant Crops and the Threat to Sustainable Agriculture" (Biotechnology Working Group, 1990), "A Mutable Feast: Assuring Food Safety in an Era of Genetic Engineering" (Environmental Defense, 1991), "Murky Waters: Environmental Effects of Aquaculture in the United States" (Environmental Defense, 1997), and "Nature's Subsidies to Shrimp and Salmon Farming" (Science magazine, 1998).

Dr. Goldberg holds an A.B. in Statistics from Princeton University and an M.S. in Statistics and Ph.D. in Ecology from the University of Minnesota.